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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of MIYAKE, AKIRA, MOCHIZUKI, SHINOBU, YOKOI,
HIROMICHI
NOVEL POTASSIUM CHANNEL PROTEIN
Assignee: YAMANOUCI PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD.
Our Ref: Q66067

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 09/600,776 (Confirmation No. Unknown) filed July 21, 2001 of MIYAKE, AKIRA, MOCHIZUKI, SHINOBU, YOKOI, HIROMICHI entitled NOVEL POTASSIUM CHANNEL PROTEIN.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, a copy of the Declaration, and a Sequence Listing as filed in the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1647.

The priority documents JP Hei 10-11434 dated January 23, 1998 and JP Hei 10-346198 dated December 4, 1998 were submitted in the parent application.

A Preliminary Amendment is being submitted herewith.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	11 - 20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	4 - 3	=	1	x	\$80.00	=	\$80.00
Base Fee							\$710.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee							\$270.00
TOTAL FILING FEE							\$1060.00

A check for the statutory fee of \$1060.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the



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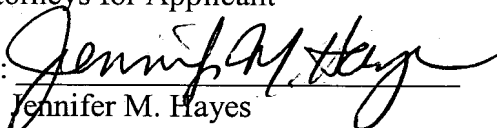
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entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,
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The undersigned hereby states that:

1. the content of the attached paper copy and the contents of the computer readable form of the Sequence Listing, submitted in co-pending Application No. 09/600,776 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(g), are the same; and
2. all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent resulting therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,


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